

A detailed 3D rendering of a satellite in space. The satellite has a central body with various instruments and a large, silver, parabolic dish antenna pointing upwards. To the left, there are several rectangular solar panels with a grid of blue cells. To the right, a long, thin boom extends outwards. The background is a deep blue sky with wispy white clouds.

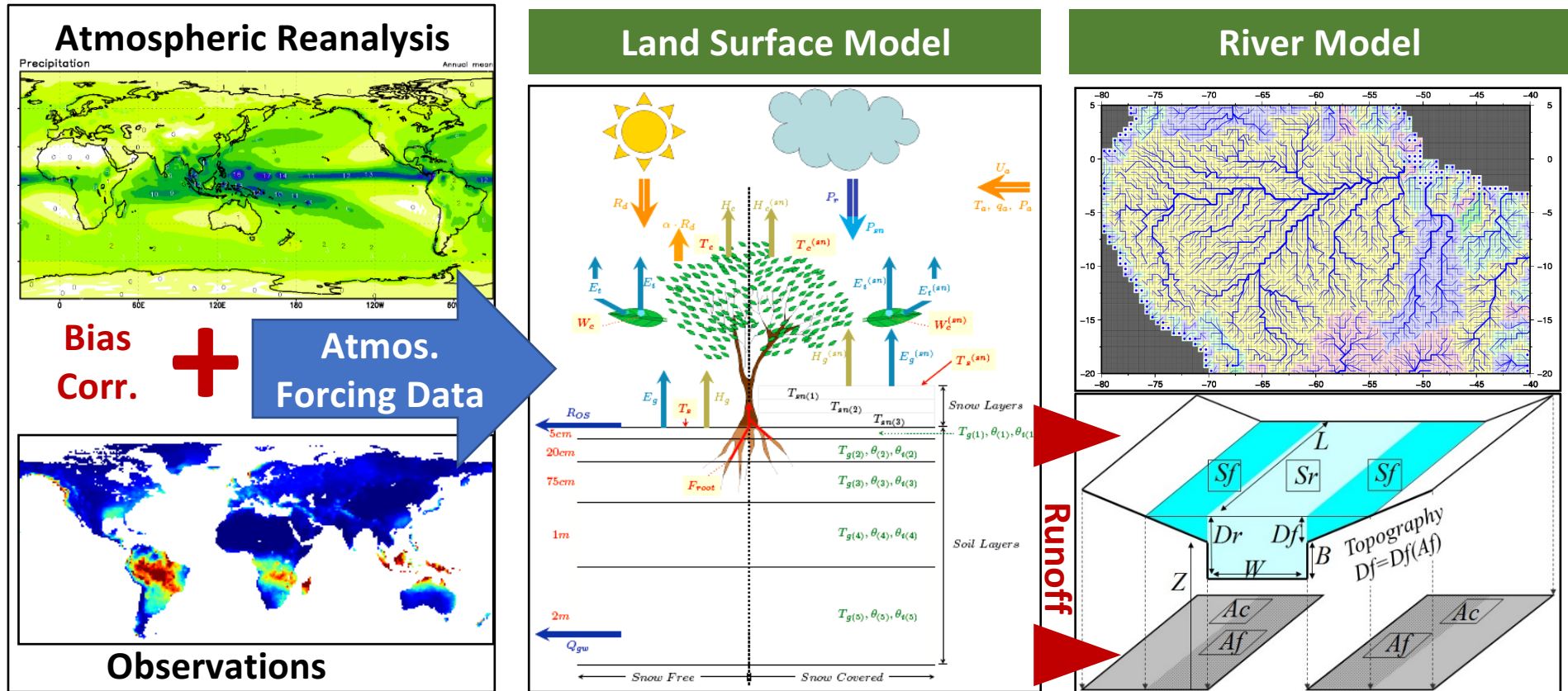
Dynamical Downscaling Application for Off-line Forcing Generation for Hyper-Resolution Land Surface Modeling

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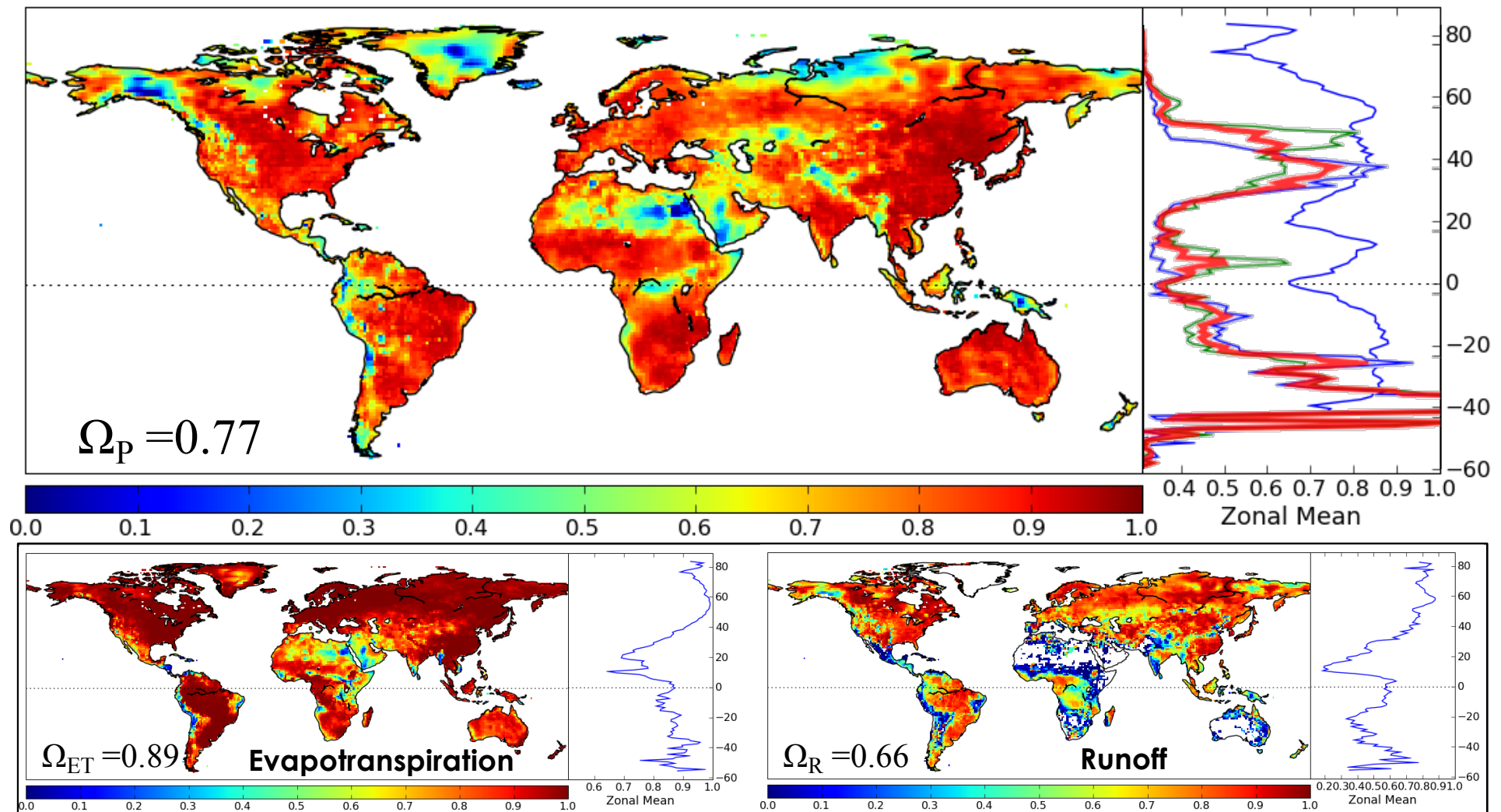
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Off-line Framework for Large-scale Land Simulation



Evaluation / Benchmarking System for Model Simulations and Input Data

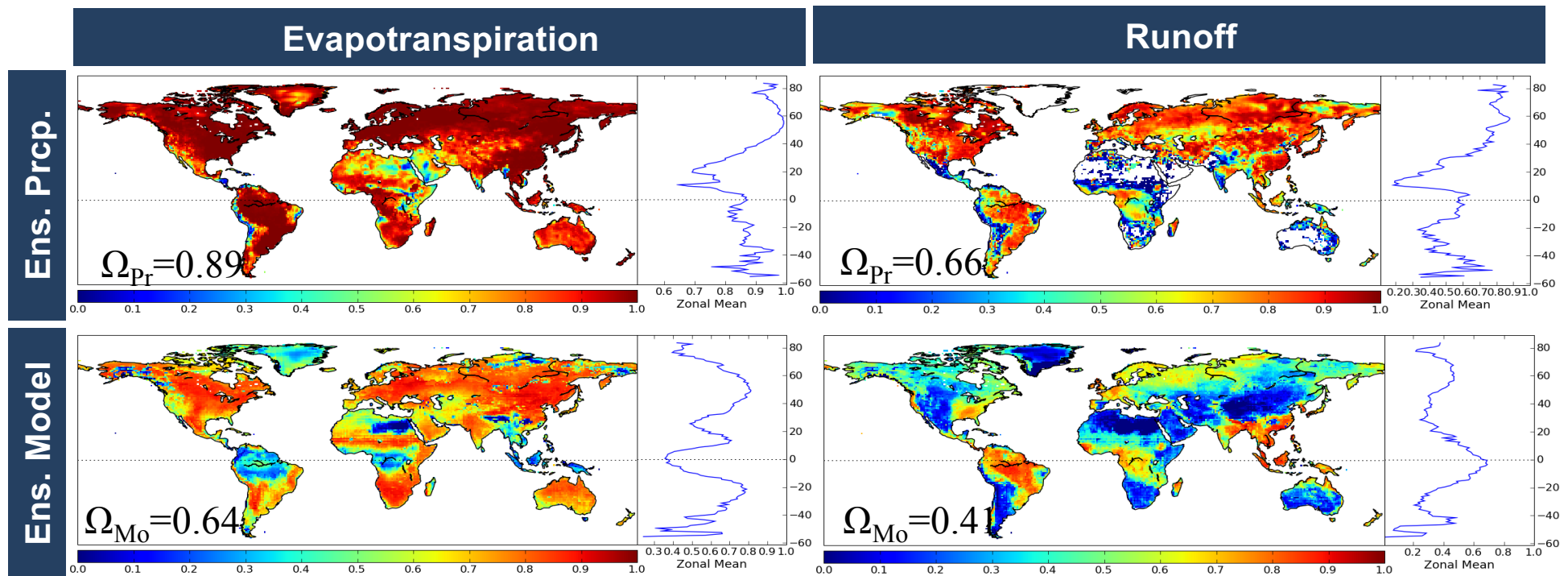
Uncertainty of Simulations



- + Uncertainty in precipitation has heterogeneous global distribution
- + Non-linear impacts in land surface simulations

Kim, 2010

Uncertainty of Precipitation and Model Structure



Uncertainty in simulated evapotranspiration and runoff introduced by **different land surface schemes** in GSWP2 are **larger than precipitation uncertainty-induced** uncertainty by 28% and 40% in the similarity index (Ω) globally.

Precipitation uncertainties propagation have similar zonal profile, but uncertainties induced by model physics shows different patterns.

Science Question

Precipitation Measurement Mission for Improved Forcing in Hyper-Resolution Land Surface Models

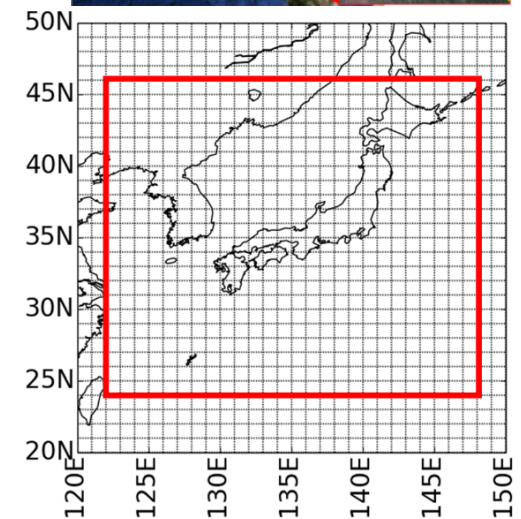
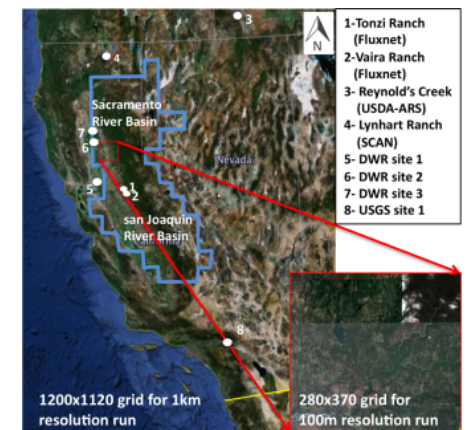
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How GPM mission can contribute to hyper-resolution land simulations?

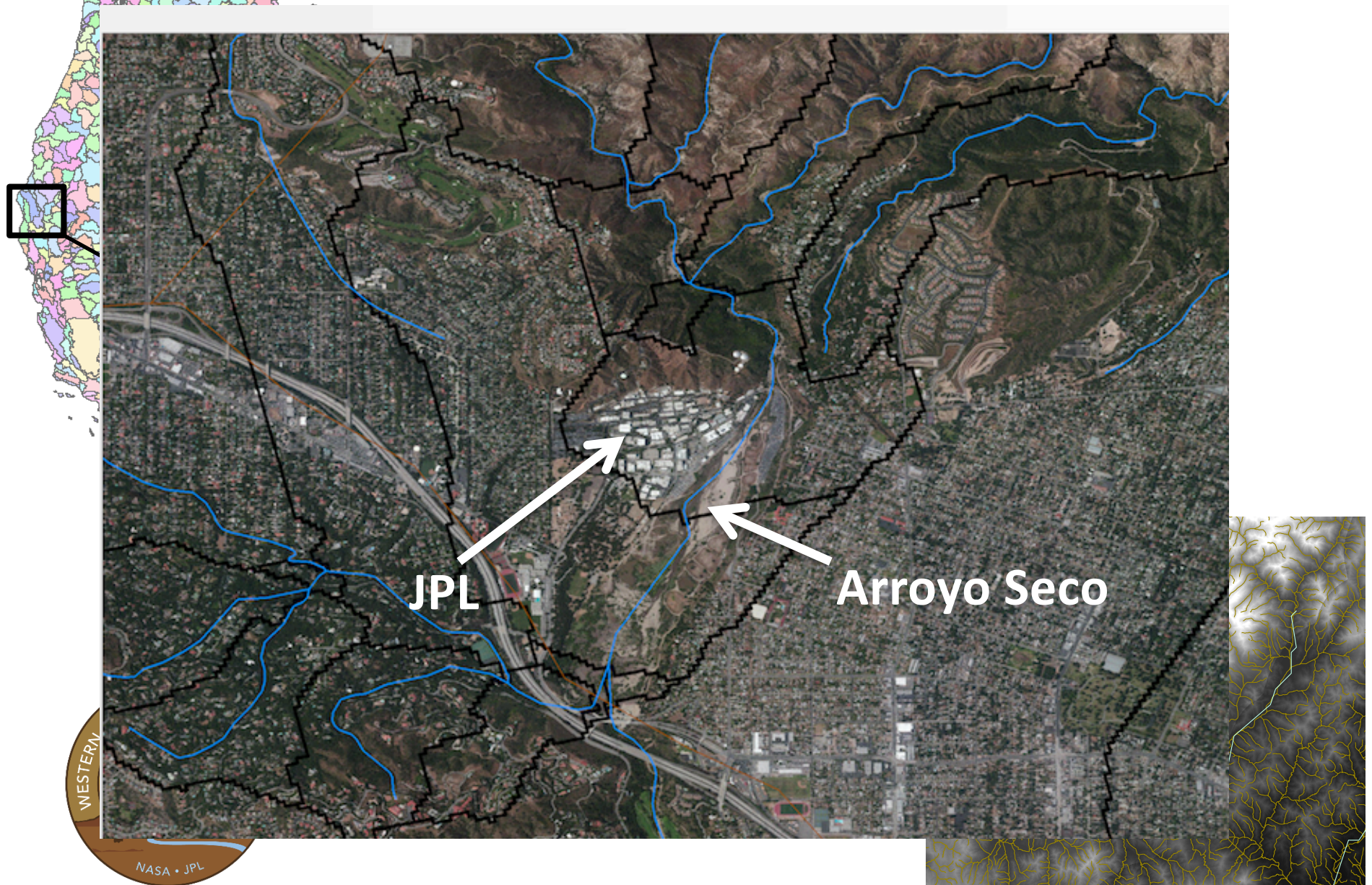
California and Japan as the test-bed because:
1) GPM now covers these regions fully, where TRMM provided limited coverage

2) Various types of precipitation mechanisms exist in these domains (e.g., typhoon, monsoon, atmospheric rivers, and snowfall)

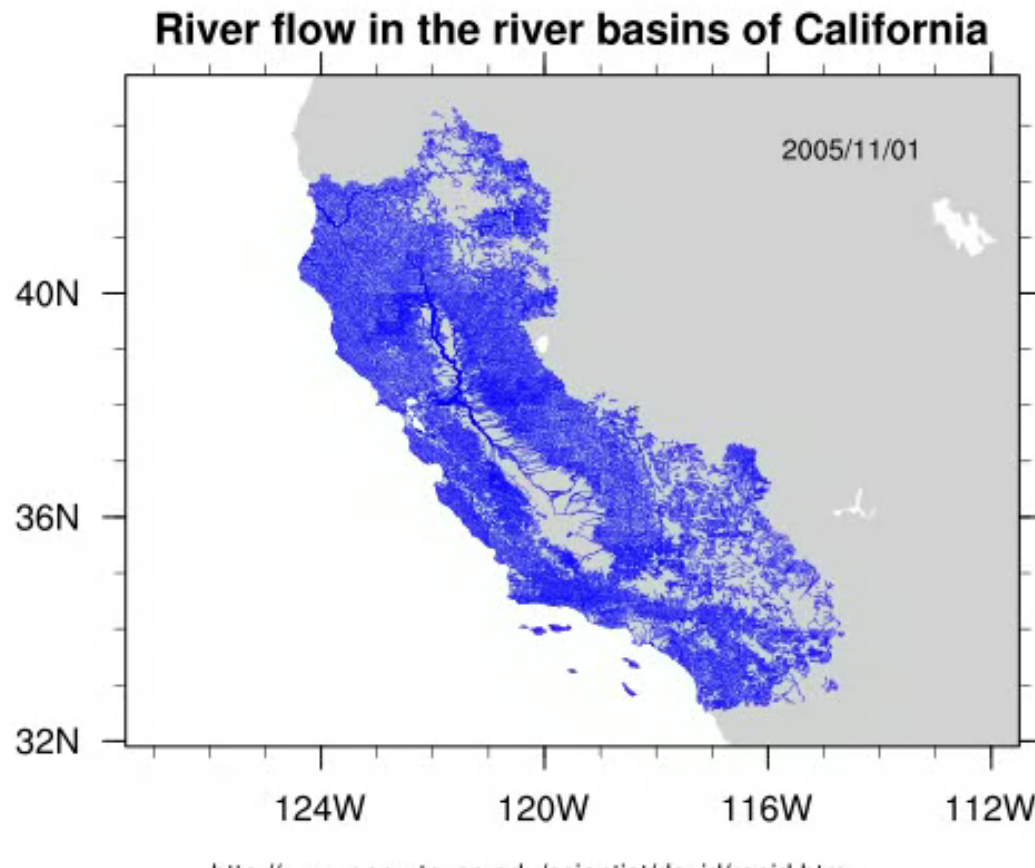
3) A large range of auxiliary datasets are available for use in validation of precipitation products and model outputs.



Hyper-resolution & Western States Water Mission



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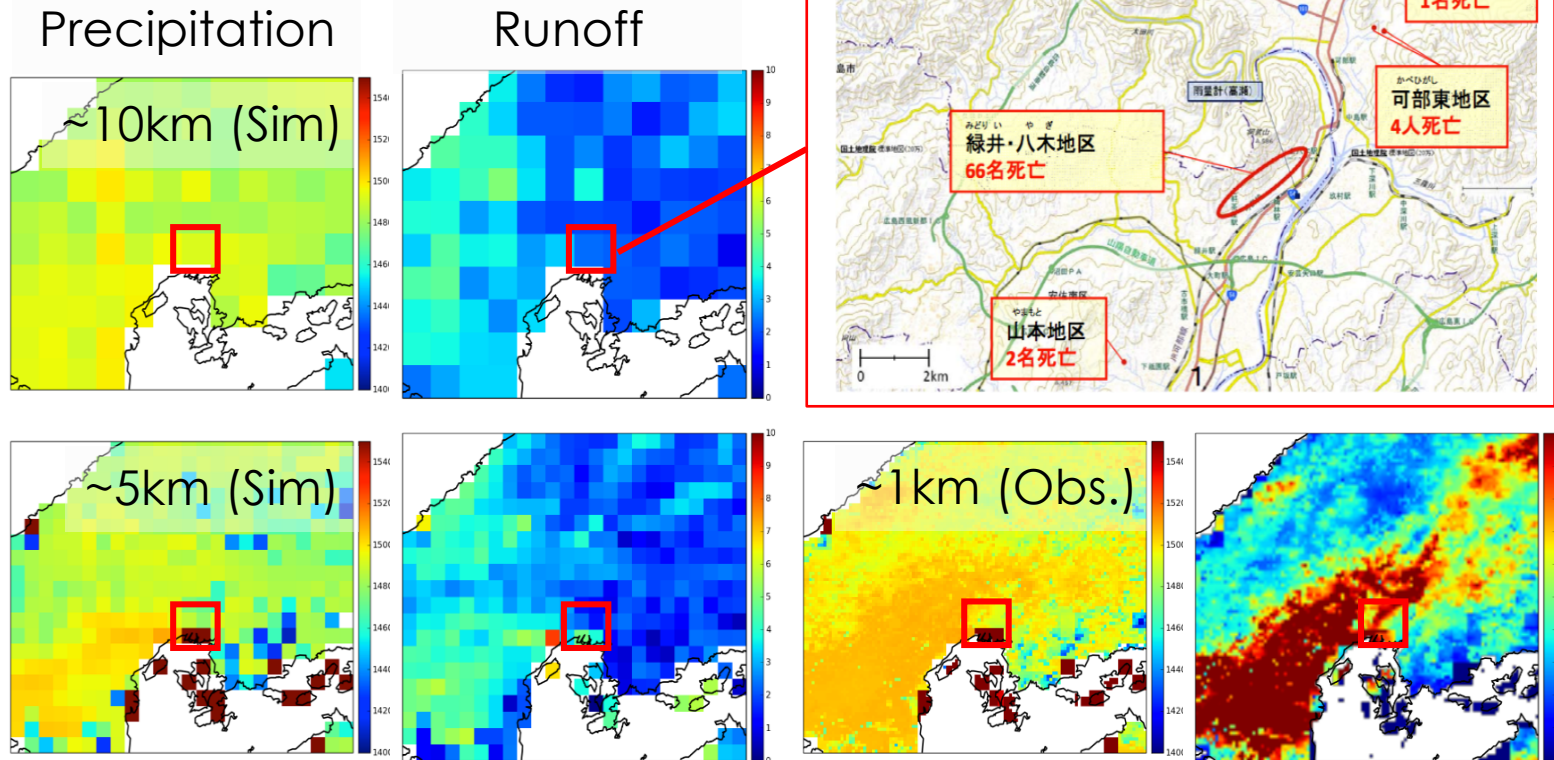


Cedric David, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory
David et al., 2015



Hyper-resolution Land Simulations

Landslide @ Hiroshima 2014.08



Yabu et al., in prep.

It has been shown that increased model grid resolution (~1-km) can yield improvement in the estimation of model water balance, especially for state variables that depend heavily on subgrid parameterizations, such as snow water equivalent and runoff generation.

Objectives

Build a test-bed for application of dynamical downscaling technique for hyper-resolution land simulations and investigate the effect of improved meteorological forcing on simulation performance.

High resolution forcing data generation

Develop the methodology to blend dynamically downscaled reanalysis datasets and satellite-based precipitation estimates.

High resolution model simulations

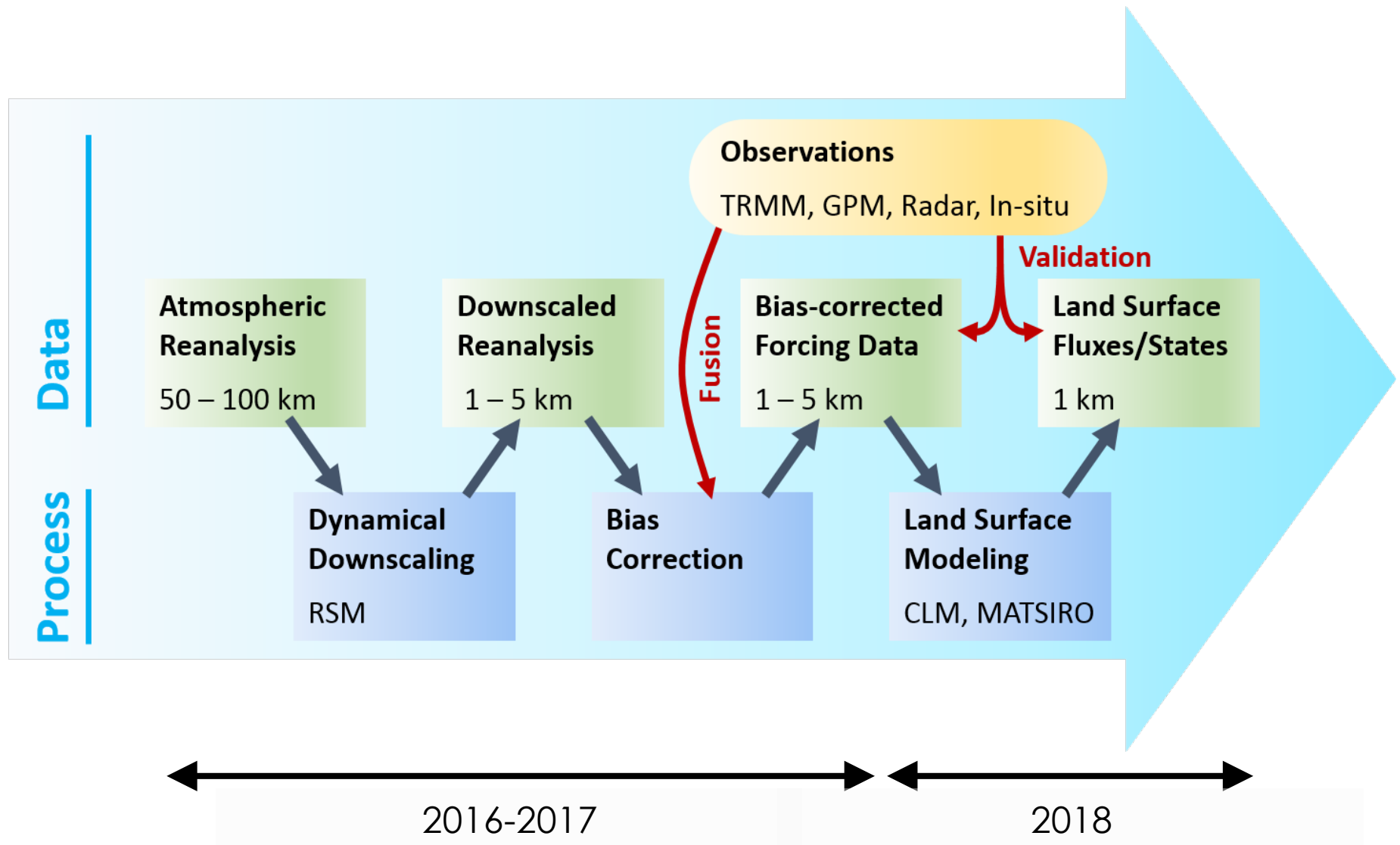
Force the 1-km resolution version of LSMs over the Southwestern US and the Northeast Asia domain with a suite of precipitation at different resolutions.

Analysis: how does precipitation quality/resolution affect hydrology simulations?

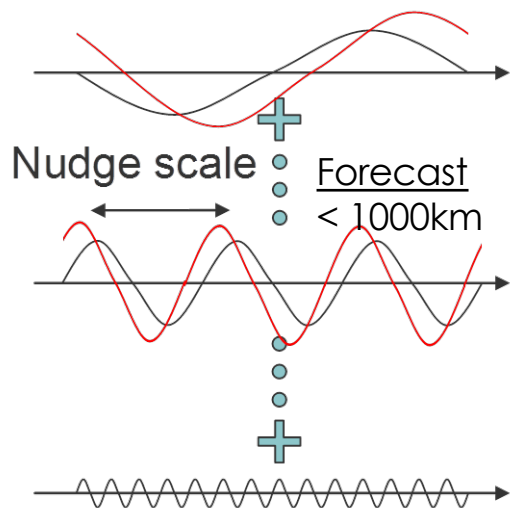
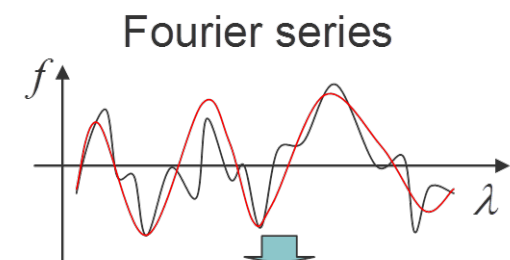
Quantify how the improvement of spatial resolution of precipitation forcing affects the hyper-resolution hydrological simulations.

Quantify how the incorporation of satellite-based precipitation product into the precipitation forcing (i.e. the bias correction) affects the hyper-resolution hydrological simulations.

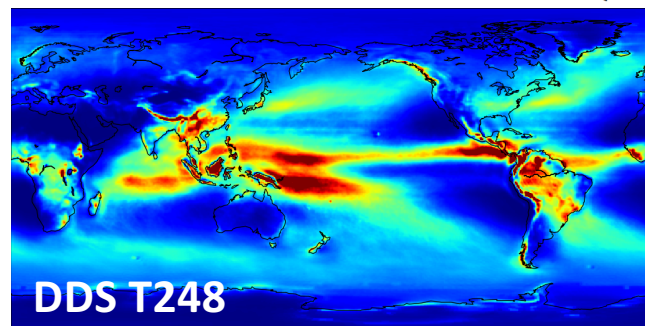
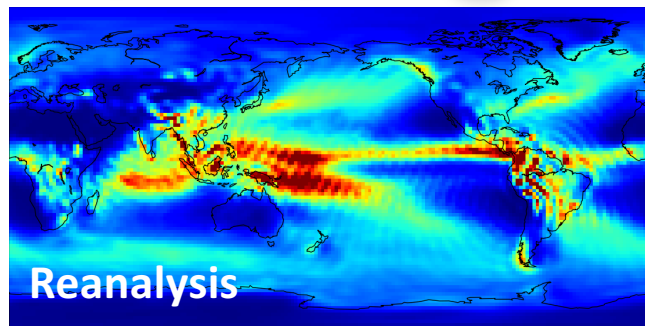
Work Flow & Plan



Spectral Nudging for Global Dynamical Downscaling



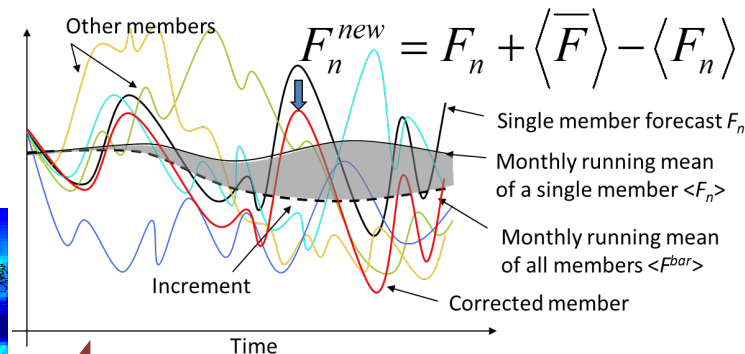
Yoshimura and Kanamitsu 2008



Nudging
U, V, T, P

$$f_{(\lambda, \phi)} = \sum_{m=-M}^{m=M} A_{(m, \phi)} e^{im\lambda}, \text{ with}$$

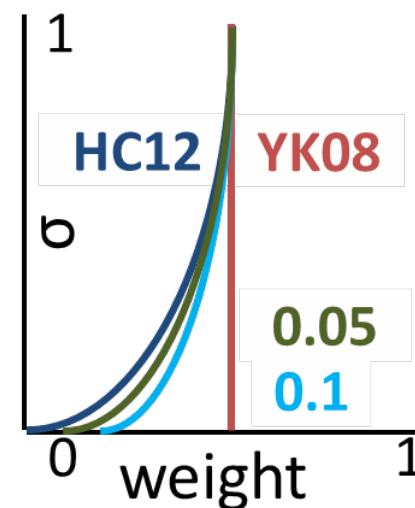
$$A_{(m, \phi)} = \begin{cases} A_{f(m, \phi)} & \left(|m| > \frac{2\pi R_E \cos \phi}{L} \right) \\ \frac{1}{\alpha + 1} [A_{f(m, \phi)} + \alpha A_{a(m, \phi)}] & \left(|m| \leq \frac{2\pi R_E \cos \phi}{L} \right) \end{cases}$$



Incremental Correction of
Single Member

Yoshimura and Kanamitsu 2013

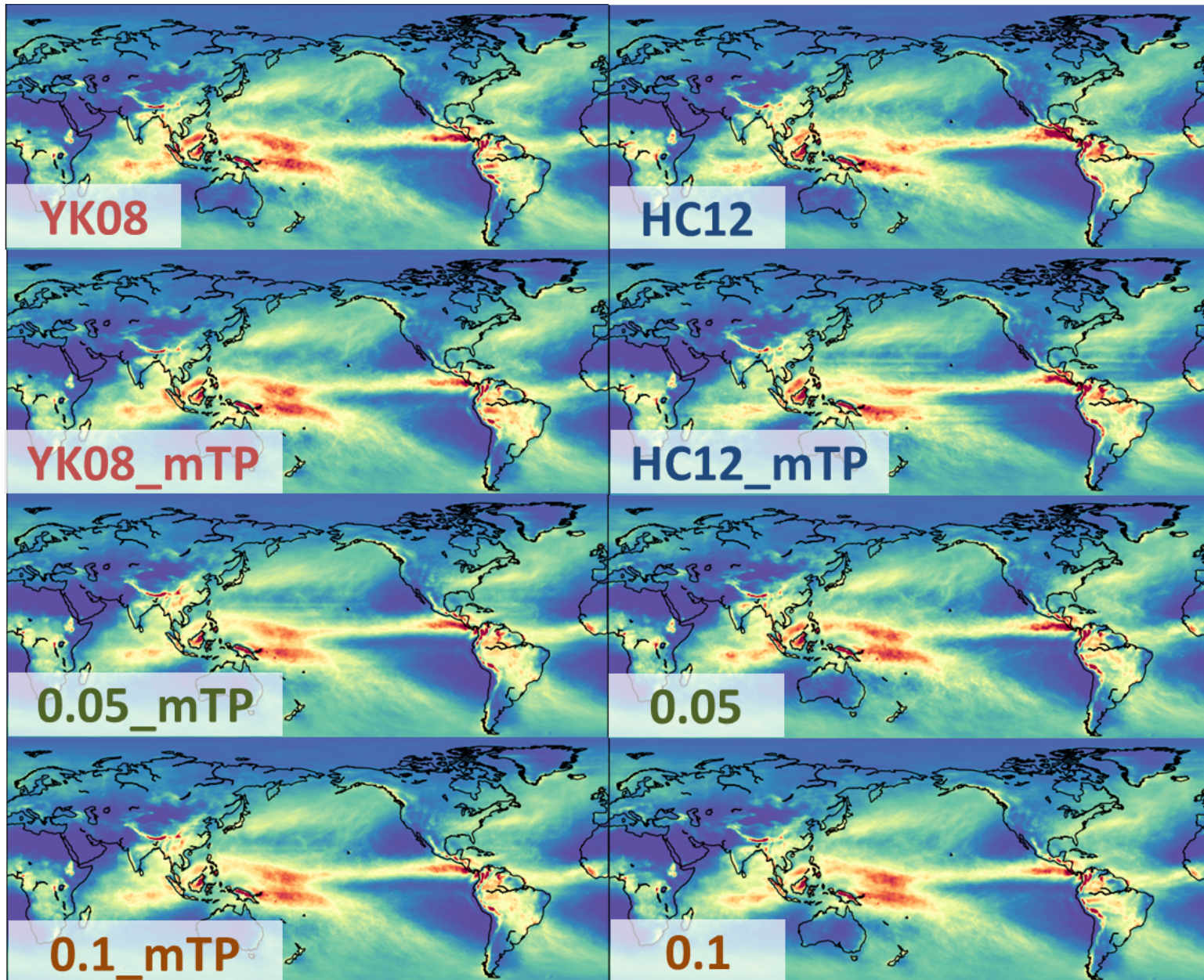
Vertically Weighted
Damping Coef.



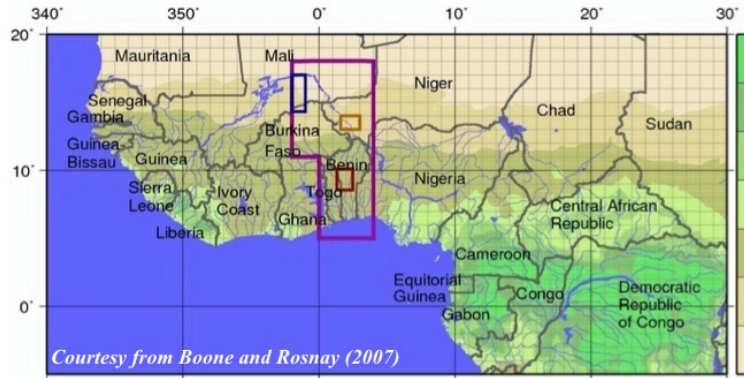
Hong and Chang 2012

Successfully generate high frequency signals preserving low frequency background.
Effectively relieves ripple-like pattern (an artifact of 20CR due to high-res. topography mismatch)

Sensitivity Tests for Damping Weight Profiles

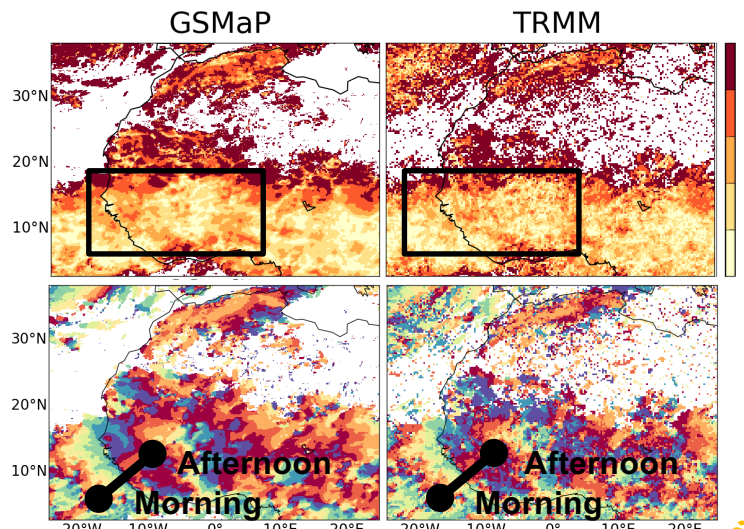


Diurnal Cycle over African Monsoon Region



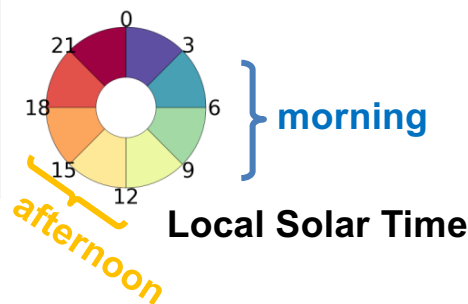
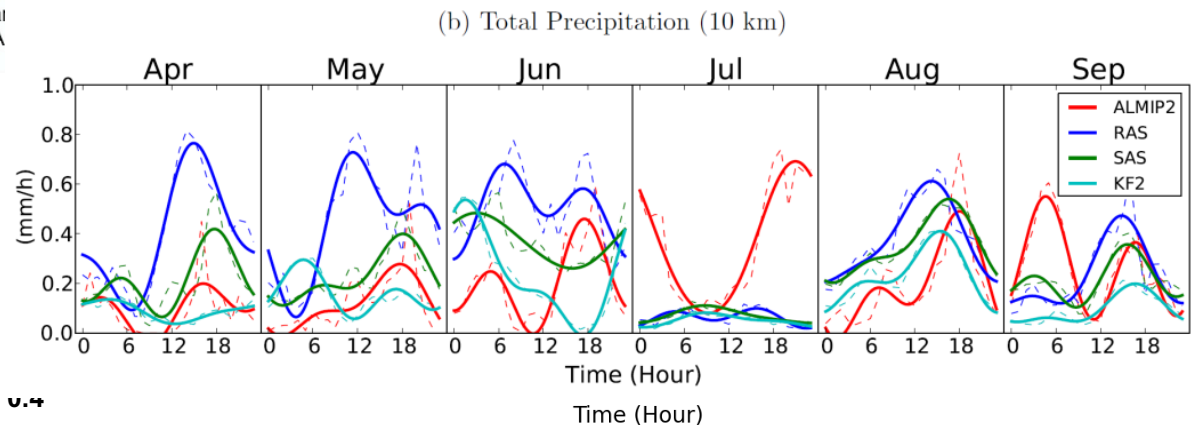
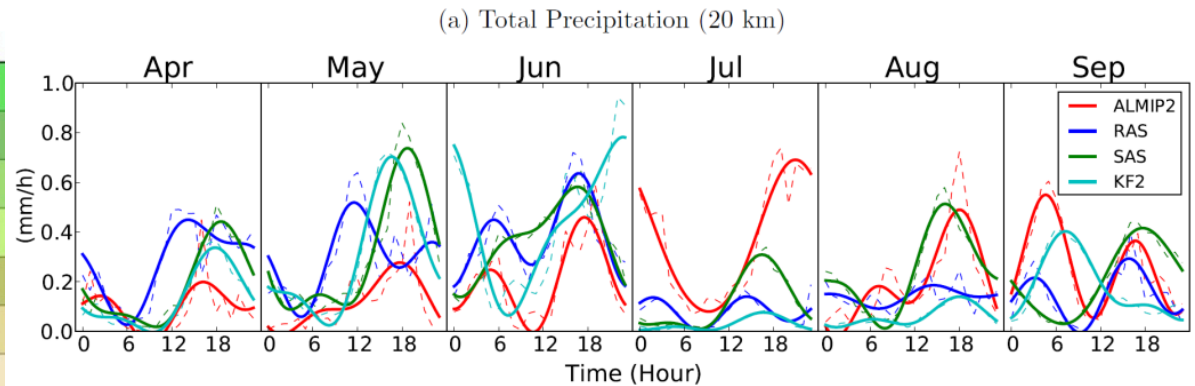
Location of three meso-scale sites: Oueme-Benin (red), South-West Niger (orange) and Gourma-Mali (blue). Contours correspond to the annually-averaged Leaf Area Index (LAI m^2m^{-2})

Amplitude



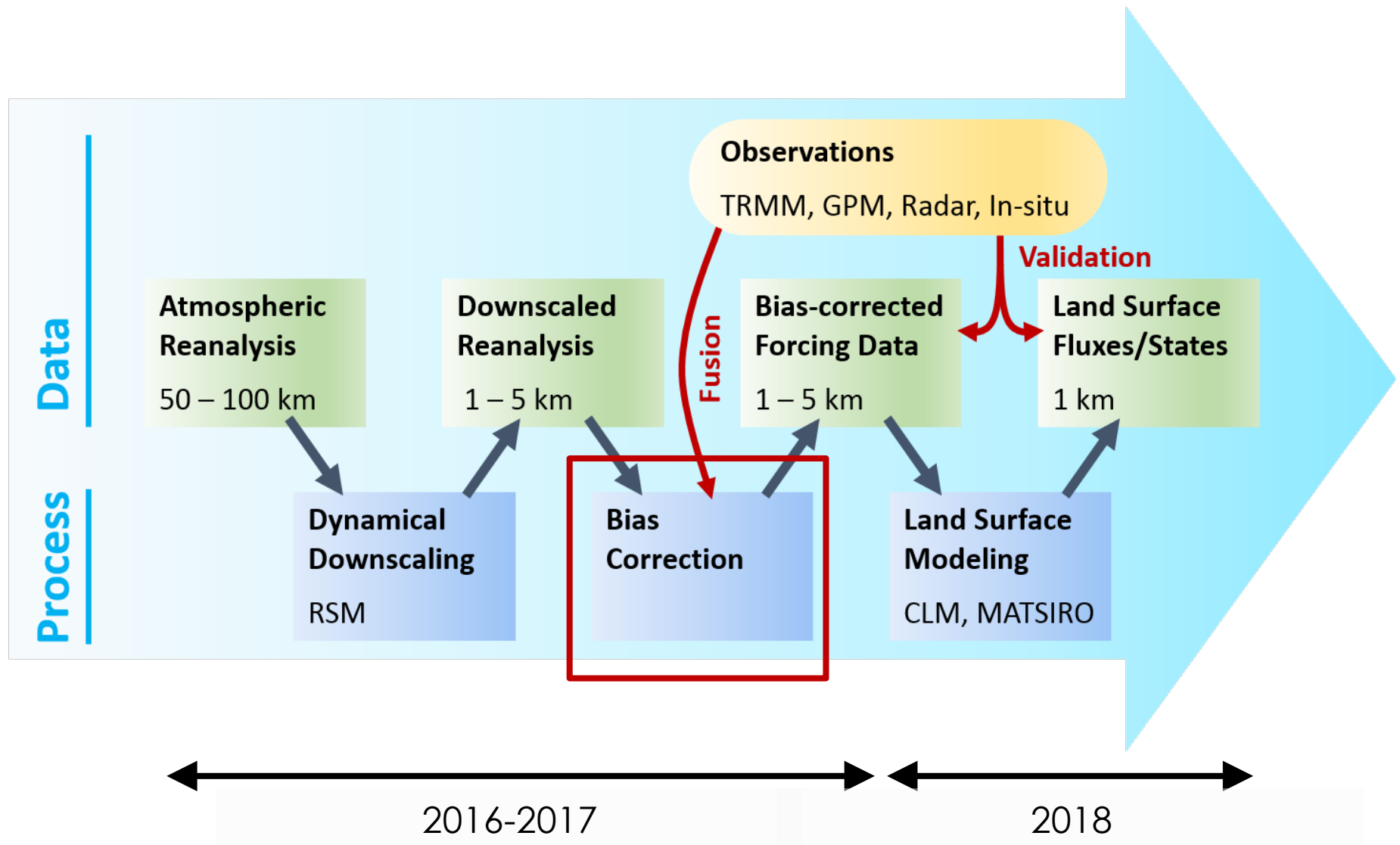
Phase

land (afternoon)
ocean (morning)

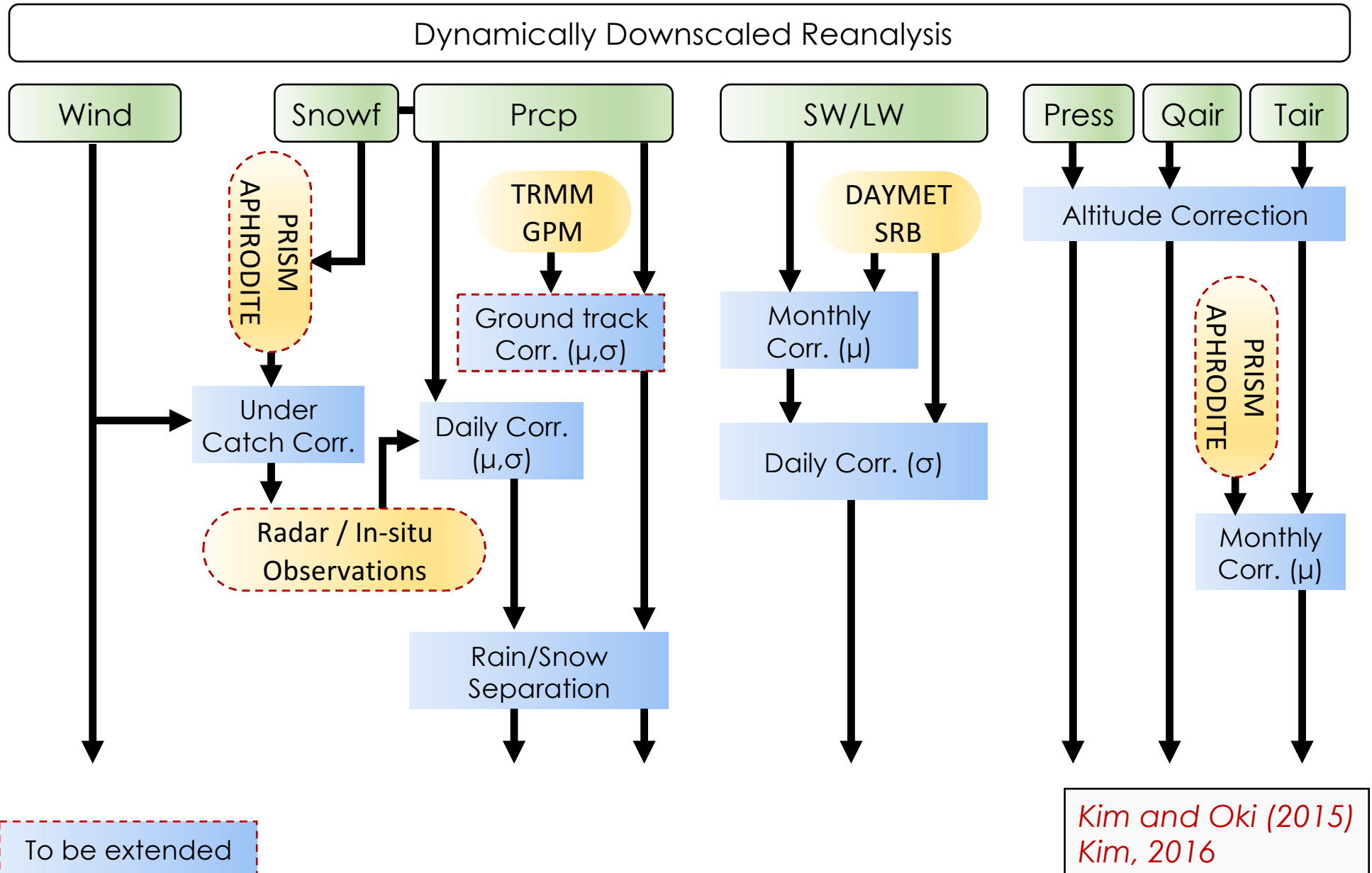


* He et al., (2015) The Diurnal Cycle of Precipitation in Regional Spectral Model Simulations over West Africa: Sensitivities to Resolution and Cumulus Schemes. *Wea. Forecasting*, 30, 424–445.

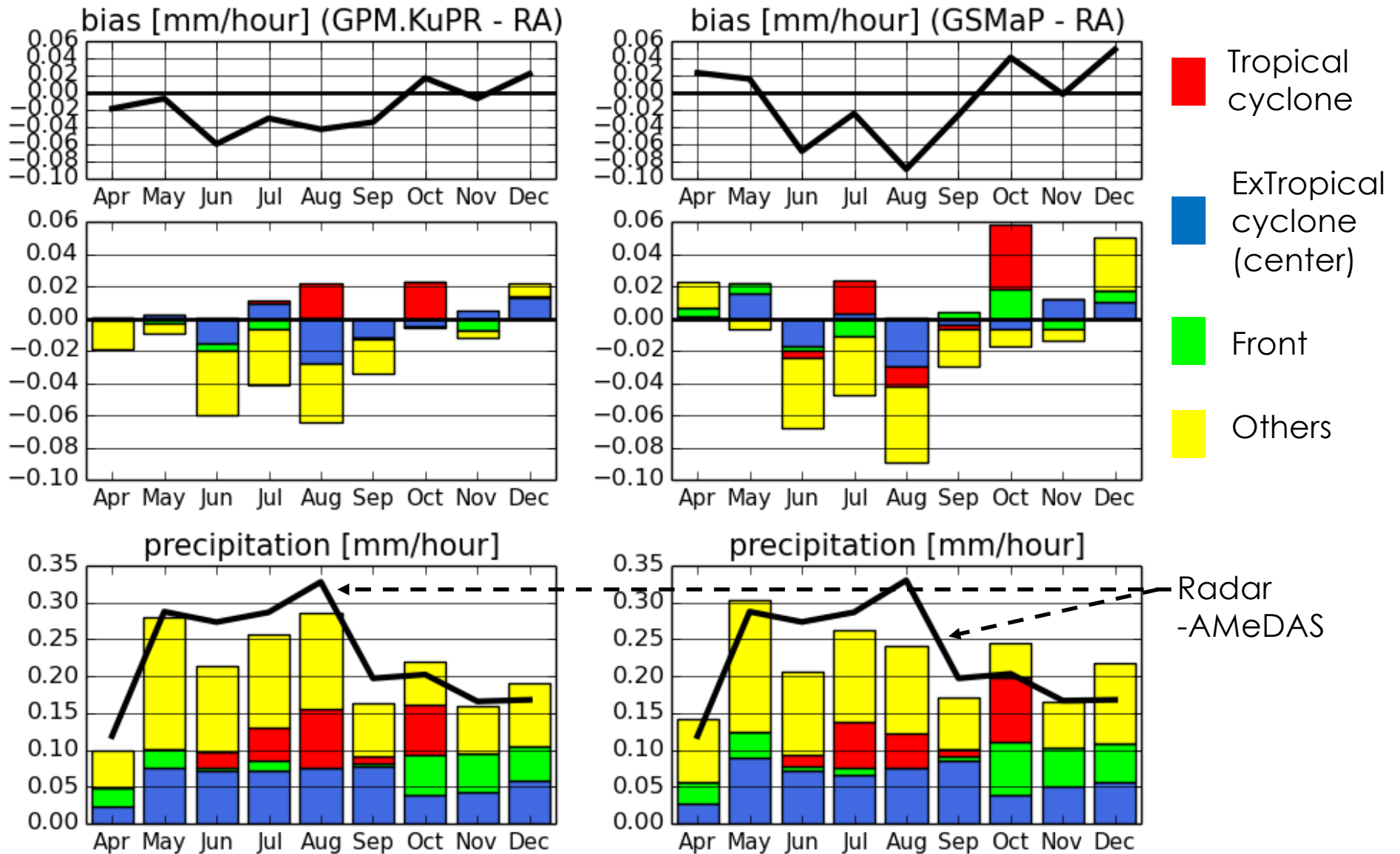
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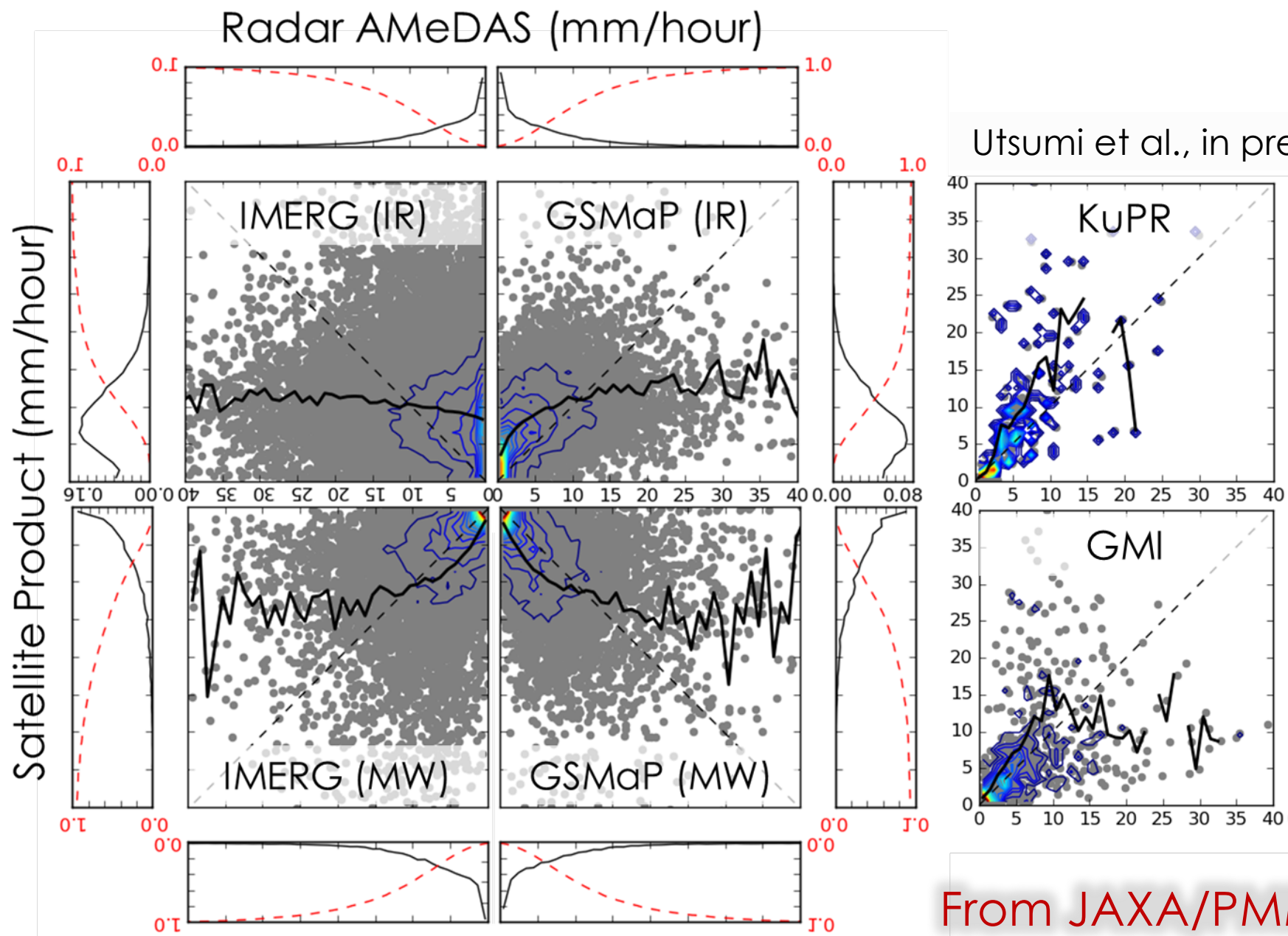
Bias-correction



Error Estimation by Weather Systems: Sensitivity



Retrieval Sensitivity by Cloud Types /* Cumulonimbus */



How Does It Work In the Real World?

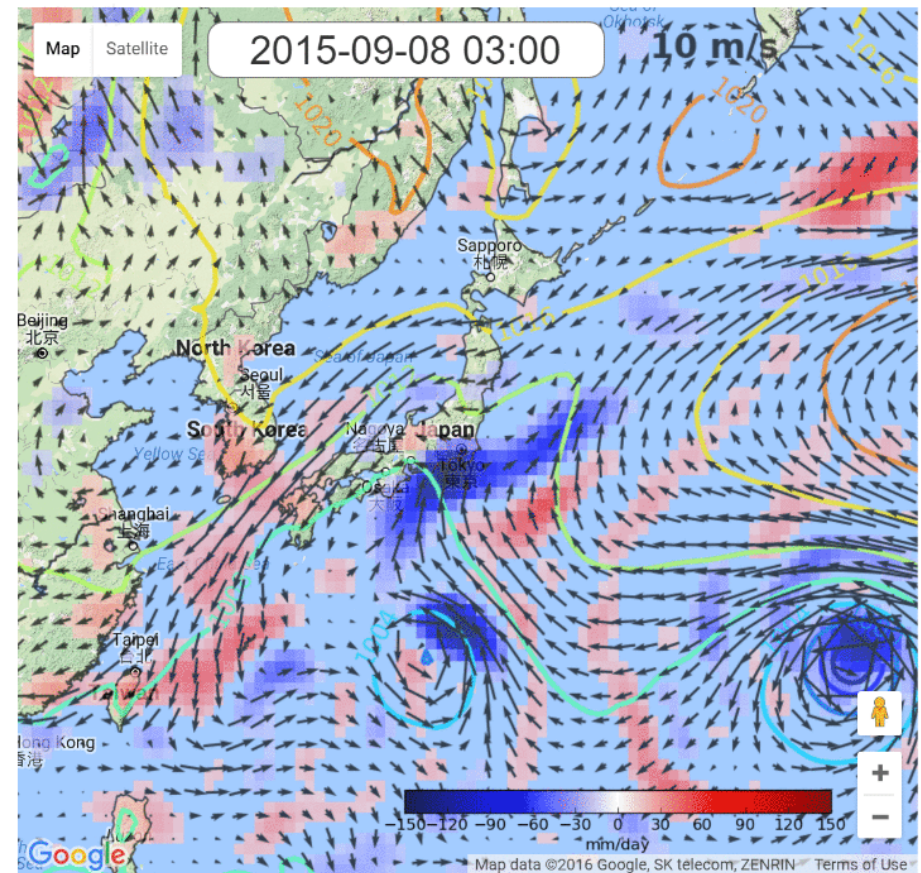
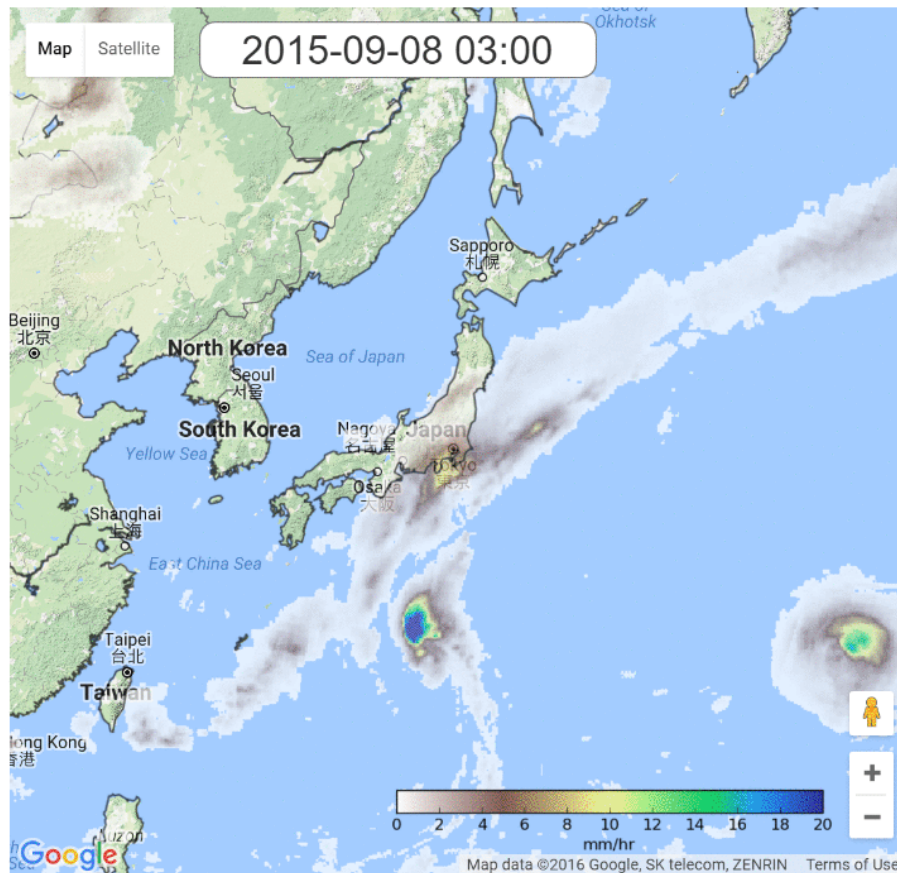


Kinugawa Flood: 2015/09/09 - 10

Photo Courtesy of Yuta Ishitsuka

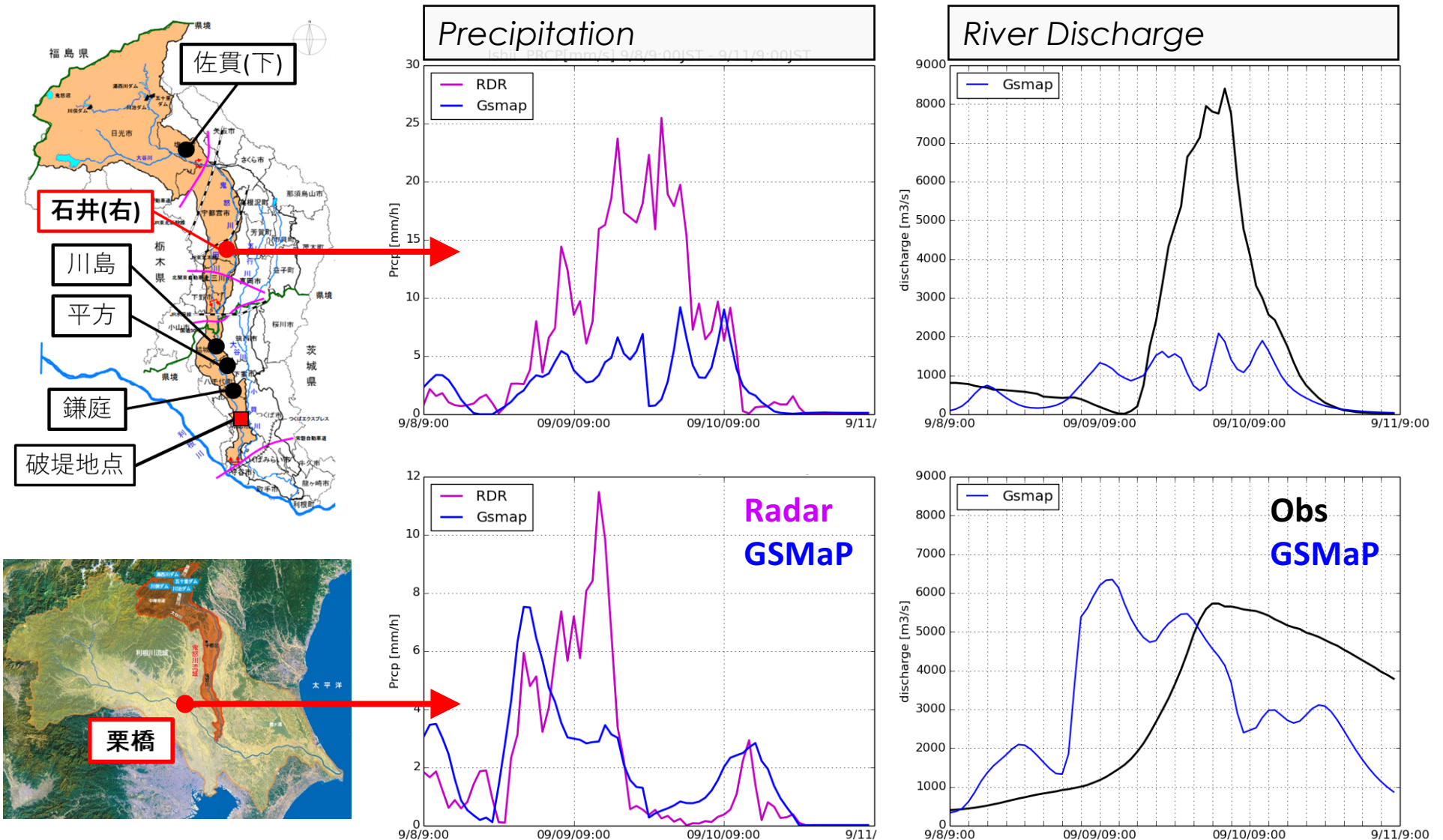
H27.09 KANTO/TOHOKU HEAVY RAIN (a.k.a. KINUGAWA KOUZUI)

GSMaP Precipitation (shade:left), JRA55 Column Integrated Water Vapor Divergence (shade:right), JRA55 Wind@900mb (vector:right), JRA Mean Sea Level Pressure (contour:right)



<http://hydro.iis.u-tokyo.ac.jp/~hjkim/FLOOD.H27KT/app/>

Comparison between Satellite and Ground Radar



Images Courtesy of http://www.ktr.mlit.go.jp/shimodate/shimodate_know010.html

Ishitsuka et al., in prep.

A satellite image of a tropical cyclone, showing a well-defined eye and spiral cloud bands. The image is in shades of blue and white, with the eye appearing as a dark blue center. The text "Thank you" is overlaid in the center of the image.

Thank you